

CURRENT TOPICS.

JACKSON, Tilden and Cleveland were elected on March 3, 1877.

Practically no one treated with respect in bulk to preserve them.

Now a law has been passed in the county school superintendent.

The cost of public education in Prussia is fifteen cents per child.

To cure and heal a running sore, apply alum water twice a day.

GENERAL SHERIDAN paid a full life insurance policy of \$25,000.

The wall-paper manufacturers are thinking of forming a trust.

Continued wet weather in England has nearly ruined the hay crop.

You can now go from Paris to Constantinople by rail in three days.

MR. CANNON, wife of the French President, parts her hair on one side.

It is proposed to hold a mineral exposition in Nashville, Tenn., in 1890.

BEARS are unusually numerous in the mountains about Lake Tahoe, Nev.

DR. TALMAGE received \$1,200 for two talks at the Piedmont, Chattanooga.

The present outlook is very encouraging for a full sugar crop in Louisiana.

The total amount carried on the lives of Massachusetts policy-holders is \$10,902,715.

NEW OWNERS in Arizona report that it is the best year for money ever known there.

A COMPANY has been organized to establish a telegraphic service in Western cities.

GENERAL FISK, the Probationary director for President, is an epicure in sea food dishes.

By the aid of a camera, a salmon caught at Des Moines, Ia., was detected in selling liquor.

A NEW "fall" in Paris, the English papers say, is the wearing of gloves that do not match.

LIGHTNING struck a street-car in Aurora, Ill., the other day. Two persons were severely shocked.

The population of Rome grows at the rate of 15,000 to 20,000 a year. At the close of 1887 it was 369,752.

MRS. DELPHINE BAKER, an American lady, is about to establish a Christian newspaper in Jerusalem.

MENTHIS is the greatest inland cotton market in the world, receiving from 700,000 to 1,000,000 bales yearly.

A BUTTE, Cal., man who began farming on rented land ten years ago says he now has 60,000 worth of wheat to sell.

THERE were 105,431 males and 55,725 females who failed in the public lands in Boston during the month of July.

At the election in 1884, the total number of votes cast was a little over 10,000,000, or about one-sixth of the population.

FRANCEY, a Frenchman, employed over five thousand women in his city and service telephone and telegraph offices.

TOPEKA, Kan., has more churches than any city of its size in the country, and has not a single saloon or drinking place.

SHERIFF GRISWOLD, of Green Ridge, N.Y., says that he has a fruit-bearing pear tree which is one hundred years old.

As Italian paper states that an English auctioneer recently sold a diamond ring, valued at \$100,000, for \$175,000.

RAILWAY time-tables are made of convenient size and are to be inserted inside the cover of a watch for convenient reference.

INVESTIGATIONS into the cause of the same plague shows that, of all farm animals, swine should be kept pure water to drink.

SEVEN CHICKS, of Rhode Island, has never had his picture taken, although photographers have often tried to entrap him into a sitting.

CHARLES CRICKER, the Pacific Coast railroad king, leaves a fortune estimated at \$5,000,000 for his heirs and lawyers to divide.

The Canadian fish catch has fallen off 10,000,000 during the past year, and the total export to the United States is far less than formerly.

The oldest rose in the world is said to be in the garden of the Duke of Devonshire, England. Its history can be traced back to 1079, and it was a good bush then.

NANCY KROENKE, of Wolfboro, N. H., is 100 years old, and never had a physician call on her in her life, and then she died last week.

A KANSAS ranchman predicts that the sheep and wool trade will be more profitable than the immense grassy plains of Brazil and the Argentine Republic.

A NEWSPAPER published in Florence, Italy, says that during the past year the machinery for the manufacture of cigars has been in charge of the White House.

The officers of the new ocean steamer, City of New York, say that when the machinery gets into the water, the ship will cross the Atlantic in five days.

A NEWBURYPORT woman has sent one dollar to the restaurant at the Boston and Albany station to pay for an orange she bought there in 1858, when a little girl with her mother.

REERS of corn, which probably marked the boundaries of an ancient inland sea, are visible on the hillsides of the Pyrenees, leading from Wadsworth, Nev., to Pyramid Lake.

The oldest arm chair in the world is said to be the throne of Queen Hatifa, who reigned in Egypt in the greatest of Christ. It is made of ebony, and is beautifully carved.

THERE are now three journals in New York City which are the greatest circulation in America, and the publishers find men to swear to it. A fourth continues itself with a "high water mark circulation."

The King of the Belgians takes tobacco, never wears gloves, and goes bareheaded as much as possible. He is a handsome man, slightly built but muscular, with blue eyes, and a big brown beard touched with gray.

This has been a good season for bears in Maine. A Lewiston furrier says that he has already killed fifty-five skins, and thinks the crop will beat last year's which was 344 skins.

The weather in the Alps is so bad this season that the hotel keepers look in vain with dismay faces for the usual stream of foreign guests. A continuous rain has been a calamity to the region.

A SIMPLE remedy for neuralgia is to apply glycerine of borax, prepared the same way as for table use, to the temple of the face or head is affected, or to the wrist when the pain is in the arm or shoulder.

PROF. L. D. VERNER, of Boston, has declined a call to the University at Athens, Greece, which was recently extended to him and declares that America is henceforth his home.

A PHILOSOPHER pretends to have discovered that people of small stature are better natured than those of large size. Let him start out as a book agent and he will find that a little woman can claim the door just as hard as a big one.

The waves are all the time claiming the shore. Year by year the site of Long Branch is being encroached upon by the sea. From 1800 to 1870 the cliffs have been washed away by the receding of the ocean not yet old.

OPENING THE CAMPAIGN.

The First Gun Fired by the Old Roman at Fort Huron, Mich.

The Sophisticated of Protected Manufacturers and Their Republican Allies.

Sweep Away—Why Laboring Men Should Be Democrats.

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STRANGE TALE

Of the Deep Villainy of a Captain.

He Seized His Ship and Compelled the Crew to Desert.

New York, Aug. 27.—The twelve sailors of the bark Gryde, who were thought to be in this city yesterday by the steamer Persian, appeared before the British Consul this morning and told the following story:

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